

**PATENT**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
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5   **Applicant:**                   Guay, et al.                   **Confirmation No.:** 3882  
     **Application No:**       10/678,800               **Group Art Unit:** 2166  
     **Filed:**                   10/03/2003               **Examiner:** Navneet K. Ahluwalia  
10   **Title:** *Preserving sets of information in rollup tables*

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15   Commissioner for Patents  
     Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Response to a non-final Office action under 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

**Status of the prosecution**

20   A Pre-Appeal Brief Conference was held in this application and as a result prosecution was  
     reopened. Examiner mailed a non-final Office action on 9/21/2007 in which she rejected all  
     claims under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as anticipated by published US patent application 2002/0029207,  
     Bakalash, et al., *Data aggregation server for managing a multi-dimensional database and*  
     *database management system having data aggregation server integrated therein*, filed Feb. 28,  
25   2001 (henceforth "Bakalash"), one of the references cited in the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103  
     which was the subject of the Pre-Appeal Brief Conference. Applicants requested a telephonic  
     interview, which was held 1/8/200. In the interview, Applicants explained the differences  
     between the references and Applicants' roll up techniques and showed how the claims set forth  
     the differences and Examiner explained why the claims did not set forth the differences with  
30   sufficient clarity. There was some discussion about claim language but no agreement was  
     reached. Applicants are now amending their claims to better set forth the differences.

**Please amend the claims as follows:**